



THE NAVAJO NATION

Proclamation

RECOGNIZING NAVAJO NATION DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, all Navajo families are entitled to a safe, healthy, stable, and loving environment, which nurtures and protects each family member; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a wide-spread issue that affects many of our Navajo people, which impacts our Diné way of life, culture and traditions; domestic violence is a multi-generational family cycle, which disrupts many Diné families leaving an impact of long-term emotional, spiritual, psychological, and physical harm; and

WHEREAS, the Navajo Nation is taking a stand against domestic violence, family violence, dating violence and sexual assaults through the Strengthening Families Program/Department of Family Services within the Division of Social Services; and

WHEREAS, the Navajo Nation will provide prevention and crisis intervention services for victims of domestic violence, family violence, dating violence and sexual assault in partnership with other federal, state, tribal, and non-profit agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Navajo Nation is committed to partnering with state and federal governmental agencies to prevent domestic violence, family violence, dating violence and sexual assault.

NOW THEREFORE, I, JONATHAN NEZ, President of the Navajo Nation and **I, MYRON LIZER**, Vice President of the Navajo Nation do hereby proclaim the month of October 2020 as the "Navajo Nation Domestic Violence Awareness Month" and urge the citizens of the Navajo Nation to support and bring awareness to the prevention of domestic violence, family violence, dating violence and sexual assault on the Navajo Nation.

PROCLAIMED THIS 1st DAY OF OCTOBER 2020

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Jonathan Nez, *President*
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A stylized handwritten signature of Myron Lizer in black ink.

Myron Lizer, *Vice President*
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